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TO: James W. Carter, Division Director

THRU: Lowell P. Braxton, Associate Director, Mining

THRU: D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor, Minerals

FROM: Anthony A. Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer *aa*

RE: Permit Amendment and Surety Estimate Adjustment, Uintah County Asphalt Mine, M/047/022, Uintah County, Utah

The Division received a NOI to Revise Mining Operations from Uintah County on July 9, 1993. Evaluating their proposal, using the Division policy for defining amendments and revisions, categorized the proposal as an amendment. The surety for this operation has been an informal "agreement" between Uintah County and the Division/Board (see attached copies of Uintah County's October 6, 1988 letter, and the Board's July 19, 1989 letter).

In 1988 Uintah County estimated reclamation costs for the site to be \$56,300. This estimate did not include a 10% contingency or any escalation. A draft reclamation estimate prepared by the Division for the amended operations estimates the reclamation cost to be \$96,500 in terms of 1998 dollars (copy of draft estimate attached).

The issues to be addressed at this time are:

- (1) Does the Division feel comfortable with the existing Uintah County reclamation "agreement" for this amended plan?
- (2) If not, does the Division need a Reclamation Contract from Uintah County, but no surety? or
- (3) Does the Division need a Reclamation Contract and a Reclamation Surety from Uintah County before approving this amendment?

Please advise me how we should proceed with this matter at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your time and attention to this request.

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Attachments  
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